

**TAILORED ZEOLITE BOUND ZEOLITE CATALYST
AND ITS USE FOR HYDROCARBON CONVERSION**

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ABSTRACT

There is provided a zeolite bound zeolite catalyst which does not contain significant amount of non-zeolitic binder and can be tailored to optimize its performance and a process for converting hydrocarbons 10 utilizing the zeolite bound zeolite catalyst. The zeolite bound zeolite catalyst comprises core crystals containing first crystals of a first zeolite and optionally second crystals of a second zeolite having a composition, structure type, or both that is different from said first zeolite and binder crystals containing third crystals of a third zeolite 15 and optionally fourth crystals of a fourth zeolite having a composition, structure type, or both that is different from said third zeolite. If the core crystals do not contain the second crystals of the second zeolite, then the binder crystals must contain the fourth crystals of the fourth zeolite. The zeolite bound zeolite finds application in hydrocarbon 20 conversion processes, e.g., catalytic cracking, alkylation, disproportional of toluene, isomerization, and transalkylation reactions.